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For: MULTI-BRANCHED POLYMER, PROCESS  
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND  
APPLICATIONS THEREOF

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**AMENDMENT UNDER C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.114**

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Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.